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CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

August 5, 2011

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**RE: NOTICE OF APPROVAL
GROUNDWATER PERMIT MODIFICATION WORK PLAN
WASTE ISOLATION PILOT PLANT
EPA I.D. NUMBER NM4890139088**

Dear Messrs. Ziemianski and Sharif:

On December 21, 2009, the New Mexico Environment Department (**NMED**) received from the United States Department of Energy Carlsbad Field Office and Washington TRU Solutions (collectively, the **Permittees**) the document entitled *Groundwater Permit Modification Work Plan* (hereafter, the **Plan**). NMED has reviewed the Plan and hereby issues this Notice of Approval.

In accordance with paragraph 10.b of Stipulated Final Order (**SFO**) number HWB 09-47, dated December 1, 2009, the Permittees must submit a Class 2 Permit Modification Request (**PMR**) within 60 days from NMED's approval. Therefore the PMR must be submitted no later than October 4, 2011.

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If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (505) 476-6035 or Tim Hall at (505) 476-6049.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. Kieling". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "John" and last name "Kieling" clearly distinguishable.

John E. Kieling
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